GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
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MAINTENANCE OF MARKANDA TEMPLE
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 2032 on August 4, 2000 regarding Markanda Temple, Maharashtra and state:

(a)whether the allocation of Rs. 20,000/- made for the maintenance of Markanda Dev Temple, Markanda in Gad Chiroli district of Maharashtra during the financial year 2000-2001, has been fully utilised;

(b)if so, the details of the work done in the temple with the said amount;

(c)the total amount allocated during the financial year 2001-2002 and during the current financial year for the maintenance of this temple; and

(d)the conservation work being carried out in the temple during the said years by the Archaeological Survey of India?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) &(b)The allocation made for this temple could only be partially utilised for cleaning of the temple.

(c) &(d)During 2001-2002 against an allocation of Rs.20,000/- the expenditure incurred on annual maintenance is Rs.16,764/-. During the current year, the allocation vis-Ã -vis the expenditure on this temple is as below :-

S.No.	Head	Allocation	Exp.
1.	Tools & Plants	5,00,000/-	4,67,035/-
2.	Structural repairs	3,00,000/-	50,000/-
3.	Annual maintenance	40,000/-	25,000/-

Besides annual maintenance and procurement of tools and plants for the temple, the dilapidated mini shrine of Bhima Shankar has been taken up for dismantling and reconstruction.